



W.P.No.35131 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 21.04.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

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and

W.M.P.Nos.34595 of 2022 and 8904 of 2023

M/s.United Bleachers Private Limited,
Represented by its Authorised Signatory,
S.Kannan, aged 51/M, S/o.P.Srinivasan,
126/60-A, Nellithurai Road,
Mettupalayam - 541 305.

... Petitioner

Vs.

1. The Chairman,
TANGEDCO,
144, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600 002.
2. The Director,
Finance,
TANGEDCO,
144, Anna Salai,
Chennai - 600 002.
3. The Superintending Engineer,
Udumalpet, EDC, TANGEDCO,
Udumalpet - 642 126.



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4. The Superintending Engineer,
Coimbatore North EDC, TANGEDCO,
Coimbatore - 641 012.

... Respondents

PRAYER : Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of Writ of Mandamus, forbearing the respondents, from demanding and collecting the Consumption Charges, etc., payable by the petitioner on monthly basis until the respondents makes the outstanding dues of Rs.69,41,503/- payable to the petitioner and to give adjustment of current consumption charges till the entire amount is adjusted.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.G.Maniprabhu
For Respondents	:	Mr.L.Jai Venkatesh for TNEB

ORDER

This Writ Petition is filed seeking to forbear the respondents from demanding and collecting the Consumption Charges, etc., payable by the petitioner on monthly basis until the respondents make the outstanding dues of Rs.69,41,503/- payable to the petitioner or to give adjustment of current consumption charges till the entire amount is adjusted.



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2. When the matter is taken up for hearing, learned counsel for the petitioner fairly conceded that, the issue in question has already been decided by this Court in W.P.No.6776 of 2018, etc., batch of cases and that, a similar order may be passed in the above Writ Petition, as well.

3. In an identical circumstance, in W.P.No.6776 of 2018, etc., batch of cases, this Court has held as under:

?In view of the above, all these Writ Petitions are disposed of with the following directions:

(a) In all those cases, where the TANGEDCO has acted upon the interim orders passed by this Court and the entire outstanding amounts due to be payable has been adjusted, those Writ Petitions will be rendered infructuous since the grievance of those Petitions stands redressed;

(b) In those cases where the TANGEDCO is in the process of adjusting the outstanding amount due, such adjustment shall be continued till the entire outstanding amount is adjusted towards the current consumption charges/open access charges payable by the respective Petitioners and



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the TANGEDCO shall not take coercive steps to disconnect the electricity connection to the Petitioners until the outstanding amounts due and payable is completely adjusted towards the current consumption charges/open access charges payable by the Petitioners.?

4. Following the ratio laid down in the said decision, this Court disposed of the Writ Petition in W.P.No.5218 of 2020 by an order dated 18.11.2021. In fine, the present Writ Petition is also disposed of in the aforesaid terms. No costs. Consequently, connected Miscellaneous Petitions are closed.

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NCC: Yes / No
Index : Yes / No
Speaking Order : Yes / No

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